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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM - TWA ROUTE SWAPS

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1. EMBASSY DELIVERED NOTE YESTERDAY TO FOREIGN MINISTRY WITH LANGUAGE CONTAINED PARA 1 REF A (NOTE NO. 9, DATED FEB. 5, 1975). COPY OF NOTE SENT DIRECTLY TO CHIEF OF CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT IN MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. COPIES OF NOTE BEING POUCHED TO EB/AN.

2. RE PARA 3 REF A, IT DOES NOT REPEAT NOT SEEM TO US THAT QUESTION OF CONSULTATIONS AS REQUESTED BY GOA IS NOW MOOT. ON THE CONTRARY, AUSTRIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD GENEVA AS INTERMEDIATE POINT NOT LIKELY TO BE ANY DIFFERENT FROM ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD ZURICH AS REPORTED REF B. AUSTRIAN AIRLINES (AUA) NOW OPERATES A DAILY NON-STOP SERVICE BETWEEN GENEVA AND VIENNA. IN ADDITION THERE IS SWISS AIR SERVICE. REGARDLESS OF WHAT INTERMEDIATE POINTS TWA WOULD SELECT, WE BELIEVE AUSTRIANS ARE VERY MUCH IN EARNEST IN SEEKING CONSULTATIONS UNDER THE BILATERAL

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AT THIS TIME. AS REPORTED PARA 2 REF B, SENIOR CIVIL

AVIATION OFFICIAL, VOGEL, HAS ALREADY STATED
THAT AUSTRIANS WANT THESE CONSULTATIONS BEFORE TWA
OPERATES INTO AUSTRIA AND IN ANY CASE NO LATER THAN APRIL 1.

3. CHARLES ZAMBELLO OF TWA'S PARIS OFFICE CALLED AT
EMBASSY THIS MORNING TO REVIEW HIS ACTIVITIES AND PLANS
FOR INAUGURATION OF TWA SERVICE HERE. HE TOLD US HE HAD
DISCUSSED INFORMALLY TWA'S PLANS FOR OPERATING BY WAY OF
GENEVA WITH AUA OFFICIAL, SIEGL, YESTERDAY. WHILE SIEGL
WAS CORDIAL, HE TOLD ZAMBELLO HE DOUBTED TWA WOULD BE
ABLE TO EXERCISE FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS TWO MONTHS FROM
NOW. ZAMBELLO IS GOING AHEAD WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR INAU-
URATING SERVICES HERE APRIL 1 BUT HE IS CONCERNED OVER
FIFTH FREEDOM ISSUE.

4. WE SEE NO EVIDENCE HERE THAT AUSTRIANS WILL
NOT REPEAT NOT INSIST ON RESOLUTION OF FIFTY FREEDOM
ISSUE. IN FACT, WE HAVE JUST HEARD FROM AUA SOURCES THAT
IT HAS COMMUNICATED TO GOA CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT
ITS OPPOSITION TO ANY EXERCISE BY TWA OF FIFTH FREEDOM
RIGHTS BETWEEN GENEVA AND VIENNA.

5. ADVISE STATUS GOA REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS.HUMES

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